

## Office of the Secretary, HUD

## § 81.19

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
1 bedroom .....	60
2 bedrooms .....	72
3 bedrooms or more .....	(*)

\*83.2% plus (9.6% multiplied by the number of bedrooms in excess of 3).

(c) *For very-low-income*, income of prospective tenants shall not exceed the following percentages of area median income with adjustments, depending on unit size:

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
Efficiency .....	42
1 bedroom .....	45
2 bedrooms .....	54
3 bedrooms or more .....	(*)

\*62.4% plus (7.2% multiplied by the number of bedrooms in excess of 3).

(d) *For especially-low-income*, income of prospective tenants shall not exceed the following percentages of area median income with adjustments, depending on unit size:

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
Efficiency .....	35
1 bedroom .....	37.5
2 bedrooms .....	45
3 bedrooms or more .....	(*)

\* 52% plus (6.0% multiplied by the number of bedrooms in excess of 3).

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#### § 81.19 Affordability—Rent level definitions—tenant income is not known.

For purposes of determining whether a rental unit is affordable to very-low-, low-, or moderate-income families where the income of the family in the dwelling unit is not known to the GSE, the affordability of the unit is determined based on unit size as follows:

(a) *For moderate-income*, maximum affordable rents to count as housing for moderate-income families shall not exceed the following percentages of area median income with adjustments, depending on unit size:

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
Efficiency .....	21
1 bedroom .....	22.5

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
2 bedrooms .....	27
3 bedrooms or more .....	(*)

\*31.2% plus (3.6% multiplied by the number of bedrooms in excess of 3);

(b) *For low-income*, maximum affordable rents to count as housing for low-income families shall not exceed the following percentages of area median income with adjustments, depending on unit size:

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
Efficiency .....	16.8
1 bedroom .....	18
2 bedrooms .....	21.6
3 bedrooms or more .....	(*)

\*24.96% plus (2.88% multiplied by the number of bedrooms in excess of 3); and

(c) *For very-low-income*, maximum affordable rents to count as housing for very-low-income families shall not exceed the following percentages of area median income with adjustments, depending on unit size:

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
Efficiency .....	12.6
1 bedroom .....	13.5
2 bedrooms .....	16.2
3 bedrooms or more .....	(*)

\*18.72% plus (2.16% multiplied by the number of bedrooms in excess of 3).

(d) *For especially-low-income*, maximum affordable rents to count as housing for especially-low-income families shall not exceed the following percentages of area median income with adjustments, depending on unit size:

Unit size	Percentage of area median income
Efficiency .....	10.5
1 bedroom .....	11.25
2 bedrooms .....	13.5
3 bedrooms or more .....	(*)

\* 15.6% plus (1.8% multiplied by the number of bedrooms in excess of 3).

(e) *Missing Information*. Each GSE shall make every effort to obtain the information necessary to make the calculations in this section. If a GSE makes such efforts but cannot obtain

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data on the number of bedrooms in particular units, in making the calculations on such units, the units shall be assumed to be efficiencies except as provided in § 81.15(e)(6)(i).

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### § 81.20 Actions to be taken to meet the goals.

To meet the goals under this rule, each GSE shall operate in accordance with 12 U.S.C. 4565.

### § 81.21 Notice and determination of failure to meet goals.

If the Secretary determines that a GSE has failed or there is a substantial probability that a GSE will fail to meet any housing goal, the Secretary shall follow the procedures at 12 U.S.C. 4566(b).

### § 81.22 Housing plans.

(a) If the Secretary determines, under § 81.21, that a GSE has failed or there is a substantial probability that a GSE will fail to meet any housing goal and that the achievement of the housing goal was or is feasible, the Secretary shall require the GSE to submit a housing plan for approval by the Secretary.

(b) *Nature of plan.* Each housing plan shall:

- (1) Be feasible;
- (2) Be sufficiently specific to enable the Secretary to monitor compliance periodically;
- (3) Describe the specific actions that the GSE will take:
  - (i) To achieve the goal for the next calendar year; or
  - (ii) If the Secretary determines that there is substantial probability that the GSE will fail to meet a housing goal in the current year, to make such improvements as are reasonable in the remainder of the year; and
- (4) Address any additional matters relevant to the plan as required, in writing, by the Secretary.

(c) *Deadline for submission.* The GSE shall submit a housing plan to the Secretary within 30 days after issuance of a notice under § 81.21 requiring the GSE to submit a housing plan. The Secretary may extend the deadline for submission of a plan, in writing and for a

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time certain, to the extent the Secretary determines an extension is necessary.

(d) *Review of housing plans.* The Secretary shall review and approve or disapprove housing plans in accordance with 12 U.S.C. 4566(c)(4) and (5).

(e) *Resubmission.* If the Secretary disapproves an initial housing plan submitted by a GSE, the GSE shall submit an amended plan acceptable to the Secretary within 30 days of the Secretary disapproving the initial plan; the Secretary may extend the deadline if the Secretary determines an extension is in the public interest. If the amended plan is not acceptable to the Secretary, the Secretary may afford the GSE 15 days to submit a new plan.

## Subpart C—Fair Housing

### § 81.41 General.

In this subpart, the Secretary: prohibits discrimination by the GSEs in their mortgage purchases because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, age, or national origin, including any consideration of the age or location of a dwelling or age of the neighborhood or census tract where the dwelling is located in a manner that has a discriminatory effect; requires that the GSEs submit information to the Secretary to assist Fair Housing Act and ECOA investigations; provides for advising the GSEs of Fair Housing Act and ECOA violations; provides for reviewing the GSEs' underwriting and appraisal guidelines to ensure compliance with the Fair Housing Act; and requires that the GSEs take actions as directed by the Secretary following Fair Housing Act and ECOA adjudications. Because FHEFSSA provides, generally, that the Director of OFHEO shall enforce violations by the GSEs of FHEFSSA and regulations in this subpart, this subpart also provides for referral of such cases to the Director.

### § 81.42 Prohibitions against discrimination.

Neither GSE shall discriminate in any manner in making any mortgage purchases because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, age, or national origin, including any consideration of the age or location of